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Housing Crisis Grows In City

USO Plans Drive To Round Up All Available Rooms

When the term "critical" is applied to the housing situation in Columbus, it's gross understatement, say Travelers Aid workers, who are faced with the task of finding living quarters for some 75 to 100 persons each day.

With the overwhelming desire to have their soldier-houses, every possible minute prompting them, army wives stream into Columbus each day to look for rooms—which now are unavailable. To meet this demand—and to supply even more permanent residents with living quarters—the USO housing committee, headed by Rabbi Herbert S. Waller, is sponsoring a concentrated drive this week to round up every available room in this community.

In asking citizens to rent out rooms, the committee is also prepared to point out how they can expect tenants if ever the room is needed.

PATIENT STORIES

Workers at the USO-Travelers Aid are full of pathetic stories which tell of the endless waiting that must go on in their office.

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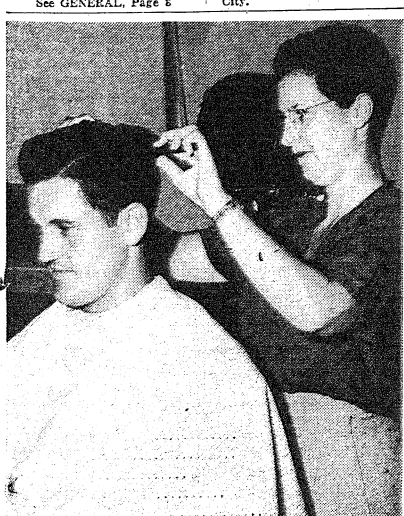
General Wood Gets New Post

Transferred to Fourth Command Headquarters

Brigadier General Eric Fisher Wood, Commanding General of the Internal Security District 4 for the past 18 months, has been transferred to Headquarters Fourth Service Command for duty. General Wood's headquarters in his new assignment will continue to be at Fort Benning, temporarily at least, according to his announcement.

Succeeding General Wood as commander of the Internal Security District 4 is Lieut. Col. Herbert D. Mendenhall of the Corps of Engineers, who has been serving under General Wood at Fort Benning.

A civilian engineer in civilian life, Colonel Mendenhall is a See GENERAL, Page 6



THERE ARE A LOT of ways of clipping a soldier. You might give him a wallop on the jaw or you might separate him from his finances. A pleasant fashion is the one employed by Miss Terecy Chambers of Cullman, Ala., who took up her duties this week in the regimental barbershop of the 300th Infantry of The Infantry School Troops Brigade. Her customer of the moment is Cpl. Lewis Majewski of the Medical Detachment. Miss Chambers replaces Mrs. Annie E. Taylor who, with her husband, has set up a shop in the 7th Armored Division. The new 300th barber is a graduate of the Academy of Beauty Culture in Birmingham and prior to joining the 300th, served in the 2nd Student Training Regiment. (U. S. Army Signal Corps photo.)

Midnight Curfew Put Into Effect On Reservation

Curfew restrictions established for military personnel in Columbus and environs were effected at Fort Benning starting Wednesday it was announced by Brig. Gen. Walter S. Fulton, post commander. Except in the event of some special occasion authorized by post headquarters, the order directs that other recreational facilities for military personnel on the Fort Benning reservation must be cleared and closed by 1 a. m. EWT. No radio or other musical device will be played in any apartment after twelve midnight, the order states. All such instruments played in quarters which are separate housing should be reduced in volume in order to avoid disturbance to adjacent quarters, it continues.

Benning School Opens Sept. 13

Registration Dates September 8-10

Registration of pupils at the Fort Benning Children's School will be held September 8, 9 and 10, and classes will commence Monday morning, September 13, Lt. Jack H. Campbell, post school officer, advises.

The course of instruction includes first through seventh grade work, and tuition is free to children of all post military personnel, both officers and enlisted men. Kindergarten instruction will be offered for children too young to attend first grade but over four years of age.

Mental examinations for prospective first grade pupils are slated for Monday afternoon, September 10.

The following staff assignments for the coming year were announced by Lt. Campbell: Annie Lou Grimes, acting principal and 1st grade teacher; Nellie O. Porter, kindergarten; Margaret Ellison, 1st grade; Emily Stephenson, 1st and 2nd grade; Eva Lou Mathews, 2nd and 3rd grade; Susan Colquitt, 3rd grade; Bess Lockhart, 4th grade; Rachael Marshall, 5th grade; Josephine Halliday, 6th grade; Lois Wells Moore, 6th and 7th grade; and Lillian Wells, 7th grade.

ON LIMITS

Two establishments in Phenix City, Ala., formerly declared "off limits" for military personnel have now been approved for patronage by soldiers, it was announced at Fort Benning Post Headquarters. The "off limits" ruling has been lifted from the establishment operated by L. A. Lovick, formerly known as Wood's Cafe, 1503 Third avenue, Phenix City, and the establishment operated by O'Neill Clegg, formerly known as The Bird's Nest, on the Opelika Road in Phenix City.

Eleven Soldiers Suffer Injuries In Van Mishap

Five in Station Hospital; 40 Escape Unscathed from Bus

Four Fort Benning soldiers injured when a five-ton trailer was used to transport military personnel from the post to Columbus overturned on Lumpkin road Tuesday evening are in the station hospital, but none is injured critically, it was announced Wednesday.

Of the 11 officers and enlisted men injured, First Lieut. Gerry O. Stewart, 17th company, 1st STR, Infantry school, who suffered a possible fracture of neck and spine, was most seriously hurt, according to hospital authorities. The others still under treatment are reported in good condition. They are First Lieut. Donald H. Benway, Infantry school, who suffered contusions of the abdomen; Second Lieut. Maurice C. Alexander, 15th company, 1st STR, Infantry school, lacerations of left elbow and leg, and S-Sgt. Linard Dunigan, Company C, ISSC, lacerations and mild contusions.

Forty other riders were uninjured in the accident. Others injured: Capt. Frank J. Novak, 15th Company, 3rd battalion, 1st STR, Infantry school. Lacerated scalp. Staff Sgt. Nathan A. Dowden, Company F, ISSC. Lacerations left elbow.

First Lt. George W. Booker, 2nd company, 1st STR, Infantry school. Head injuries.

Pfc. Clifford G. Brown, headquarters, 17th Infantry regiment. Contusions of left elbow.

Cpl. Walter J. Abrams, Company D, ISSC. Lacerated left index finger.

Pvt. Jesse Amos, Negro, Company E, Truck regiment. Held in hospital for observation.

Pfc. Denny E. Foster, Negro, Company E, Truck regiment. Lacerated left knee.

Private's Amos of the Truck regiment, who has been released from the hospital, was the driver of the vehicle. Private Foster, the assistant driver, also was in the cab of the truck, which was badly damaged when the truck overturned.

Occurring during a busy hour when scores of cars with military and civilian personnel leave the post for their homes in Columbus and vicinity, the accident attracted hundreds of passersby.

However, military police arrived on the scene shortly after the mishap and routed traffic on its way while three ambulances took the injured to the hospital. Military police are investigating the accident.

Post Limits Use of Water

The watering of lawns and gardens and the washing of private vehicles at Fort Benning has been suspended until further notice, it was announced today.

In the Daily Bulletin issued by the post commander, Brig. Gen. Walter S. Fulton, all personnel were directed to abide by the new regulations. It has been requested that as much water as possible be conserved on all government wash racks similarly.

Although Fort Benning does not face a water crisis, it was explained at the Post Engineer's office that need to maintain substantial pressure so as to serve all buildings on the reservation necessitated the order to curtail excessive use of water.

Colonel Rooks Of B&C School Sent To Atlanta

Colonel John M. Rooks, commandant of all Bakers and Cooks Schools in the Fourth Service Command who has been stationed at Fort Benning, has left for a new assignment at Fourth Service Command Headquarters in Atlanta.

In his new assignment, Col. Rooks will serve as assistant director of food service in the Service Command. In Atlanta he will be assisted by Colonel William F. Riker.

Serving in his capacity at Benning for two and a half years, Colonel Rooks has supervised the activation of a parent B and C school at Fort Benning and nine sub schools which are operating throughout the southern states. Succeeding Colonel Rooks as commandant of the several Bakers and Cooks Schools is Lieut. Col. Grover M. Ford, who has been executive officer to Col. Rooks.

PAPER CHANGES NAME

The Three Hundredth, regimental band of the 300th Infantry has officially changed its name to The Saber, which henceforth is the name by which the regiment will also be known.



ENGINEER ANGEL—Pride and joy of the lads who build for Uncle Sam is lovely Elaine Luban, whose perfect facial features may someday bring her a fortune...

As well as a civilian employee in the Area Engineer office, she is a former Hollywood model and has dabbled at both the stage and the cinema. That wistful pose you see above is but one of many which could catch her rare and exquisite type of beauty. We'll wager that no movie mag has ever presented a cover girl or glamour girl portrait that was any lovelier than our Pin-Up Girl of the Week. Born in far-off Oregon, Elaine migrated to California with her family some seven years ago, and now claims the sunshine state as her home. She's been at Benning just about eight months, coming here to join her hubby.

First and only job at Benning was as private secretary to Mr. William W. Daughtrey, safety engineer at the post. Prior to Army days, lovely Elaine was a professional model in Los Angeles (you can understand that), and played in a couple of shows that were produced by her husband in Hollywood. Just before that she went to Hollywood High School where she was a classmate of the famous Alexis Smith, one of the newer film stars.

Elaine bears a remarkable resemblance to Alexis and during school days, they were often confused by their classmates. Although not particularly interested in a film career, her Elaine was twice interviewed by film magnates for important roles, once by the Howard Hughes office, and a second time by a Cecil B. DeMille agent who wanted her for the part eventually played by Paulette Goddard in "Northwest Mounted". Her histrionic ability is to be expected since her father for many years was a leading singer and actor on the famed Chatauque Circuit. Despite her fragile type of beauty, Elaine is a remarkably versatile young lady. She can act, sing (studied voice for a couple years) plays the piano, and is quite adept with a drawing pencil. As a matter of fact, although she hopes to return to Hollywood and home at a war's end, she's much more interested in art than in pursuing a film career. This week's angel also swims and enjoys a fast game of badminton and is an ardent basketball and baseball fan, rooting especially hard for the Academic Team, whose games she seldom misses. Oh, yes, about her husband. Well, if you haven't already guessed, the lucky guy is Sgt. Milton Luban, press impressario of the Academic Regiment and former newspaperman, actor, writer and producer of note on Broadway and in Hollywood. He's seen a lot of the modern beauties in his time, but to him Elaine's queen of them all, and we're quite willing to agree! VITAL STATISTICS: Height—5 foot 7 inches. Weight—125 pounds. Bust—34 inches. Waist—25 inches. Hips—36 inches. Eyes—Blue, green or gray according to midday's mood. Hair—Dark blond. Complexion—Fair as fair can be. Truly a gem of beauty in our midst! (Signal Lab photo by Sgt. Don Kortemeier.)

Bring On The Girls' In Alabama Sept. 7th

A GI's prayer will be answered Tuesday, Sept. 7, when USO-Camp Shows will play "Bring On The Girls" in the Alabama outdoor theater at 8:45 p. m. for paratroopers of the area.

"Bring On The Girls" features one of the world's leading magicians besides offering music, comedy and dancing. Headlining the show is Harry Houdini, whose fame and reputation have been second only to that of his illustrious brother, Hardeen has been one of vaudeville's great headliners for thirty years. He has appeared in all the great theatres of the world and amazed millions of people with his incredible feats of legend and baffling escape tricks.

Working in and out of Hardeen's act is the comedy team of Foye and Mason. Interpolating highlights of fun and frolic, and piling on laughs with Herbert Foye's amusing antics and Ruth Mason's aving patter.

Contrasting the dances of today with those of yesteryear is Maryette Evans and Her Family. Maryette's parents demonstrate the dances that were popular in the "good old days" while Maryette and her brother show how it's done today. They finish with the entire family executing the latest steps and routines. From musical comedy and radio comes lovely Alice Tyrrell to charm with her sweet, sing-along songs as well as ballads. A Washington, D. C. girl, she has been seen in the musical shows, "Meet the People," "Count Me In" and "New Faces" and has sung on Rudy Vallee's and Mary Astor's radio programs. In the event of threatening or inclement weather "Bring On The Girls" will be moved inside to the War department theater, Lt. Col. Charles C. Finnegan, special service officer, announced.

Bridge Building Record Broken By Gator Unit

A new Infantry School record for bridge erection was set recently by "E" Company of the Second Battalion, 124th Infantry regiment when they did the job in nine minutes and five seconds.

The problem, No. 477, was the last before going on a month's bivouac. "E" Company was selected to raise the bridge, and "G" Company was the attacking party using assault boats. "H" and "F" Companies supplied the enemy detail.

The big part of the problem was the bridge. The detail worked under Lt. Roslund, company commander.

Capital Official Sees Hospital

Major Barton Inspects Convalescent Program

Major Walter E. Barton, Director of the Reconditioning Division, Office of the Surgeon General of the War Department in Washington, has concluded a tour of inspection of Hospital Unit No. 2, at Fort Benning, according to an announcement by Col. William L. Starnes, commanding officer of the Unit.

According to instructions received by Col. Starnes from the War Department, Major Barton was to "visit the hospital to observe the operation of the convalescent training program."

"The program for convalescents at your institution has attracted favorable comment. It is desired to study the features that may be generally applied to stations elsewhere," the letter stated.

During the day Major Barton inspected the new chicken ranch, where 2,000 chickens will be raised and sent to the front lines, and took part in a discussion as to the value of bombs in warfare. He expressed satisfaction in the results the hospital was making in restoring soldiers to full time duty, and their plans for the future.

Lieut. Gaines 1st WAC Officer Sworn In Here

The First WAC officer at Fort Benning to be sworn into the Army of the United States is Lieut. Gail A. Gaines, commanding officer, 1st Central Postal Directory, Station Complement.

Lt. Col. J. D. Rosenberg, Jr., post adjutant and director of the 1st Central Postal Directory, administered the oath of office. Lt. Gaines is one of more than forty WAC officers now stationed at Fort Benning.

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Italians At Fort Benning Available For Farmers

500 Prisoners of War to Help Harvest Crops In This Area

Fort Benning now has Italian prisoners of war available for farm work in this area; it was announced Saturday by the post Public Relations Office, in reporting that Benning has established and will supply a prisoner of war camp near Americus which will furnish agricultural workers for that section.

The Seventh Armored division is furnishing guards for eight such camps in Georgia, it was also announced.

Approximately 500 Italian prisoners of war will be available for farm work within a radius of 35 to 40 miles of Columbus, according to Col. George M. Chescheir, commanding officer of the Fort Benning prisoner of war internment camp. Information received here is that the men will be paid 80 cents a day, in addition to the difference between that sum and the prevailing farm wage, which the employing farmer pays, will be refunded to the United States treasury.

Friday, post officials were informed that Fort Benning must establish and have ready by 4 p. m. Saturday a camp at Americus, Col. John P. Edgerly, post executive officer, announced. Col. Stephen B. Massey, director of supply, and Col. J. B. Bain, post engineer, took details of men to Americus to take over the work.

CAMP COMPLETED. Late Saturday Brig. General Walter S. Fulton, commander of the Post, returned from Americus it was pointed out.

All prisoners of war at the Americus camp, which will be supplied at Fort Benning will be Germans, coming either from Anisnton, or Opelika internment camps. It was announced. War department policy will not permit spectators to gather to watch the men be taken in trucks out to work, nor will spectators be allowed to watch the men at work.

Psychology Back in Saddle Boston Tommy Observes

By PVT. THOMAS DEVINE

I see psychology's back again. Happened to pick up a copy of a publication called "Yank" which contained a piece on the topic based on an Infantry Journal book. Well—plus ca change, I always say.

When I was of the eunuche d'ors back in the 1920's psychology was very smart. Everyone of any pretense to fashion had a favored psychologist. We used to call it "getting psyched" and anyone who didn't have a fixation, or an inhibition at the very least, was considered definitely hoopy-skirt.

The best sellers of the day were Havelock Ellis, Krafft-Ebing, Iwan Bloch et al. Just as in a previous epoch fashionable people used to go to Bad Homburg Bad Nauheim, Aix les Bains and Vichy to be cured of the waters so in the 1920's did they fly to Vienna for an emotional massage. You could no more toss a brickbat out of a Viennese window without hitting a psychoanalyst in those days than you could swing a cat in Miami and not injure a realist.

Emotional normality was definitely bad form and the greater one's deviation from the ordinary the more distinguished. Dull and unimaginative persons had such pedestrian things as such fetiches and oedipus complexes but people of real style had considerably more imagination. One friend of mine developed a hysteria against a contact between glass and paper and would froth at the mouth were anyone to remove an electric bulb from the wall in his presence. His wife, not to be outdone, developed an idea fix against china buttons and would go into a swoon at even the mention of this banal item of the notion counter.

Anyone of a mentality exceeding four cylinders spoke the shibboleth until it came to the point where the most macabre and baroque eroticisms were a topic of drawing room discussions. It would have been considered not at all strange for one guest to whisper to another at a social gathering: "Keep this quiet, my dear, but I'm told that man who just came in is NORMAL" and her interlocutor would certainly gasp "Oh how DREADFUL, I can't believe it! He comes from SUCH a good family! His mother was one of the Leominster Sloumums."

HOT STUFF IN '20'S

Yes, as I said, psychology was considered very hot stuff in the 20's but like Delsarte and Coeurism it went its way and became lost in the more remote stretches of Flatbush and the Bronx. The 30's Immersed in the Hay Diet and Technocracy, considered psychology as dead as Queen Anne.

Thus, you might have knocked me over with a bull dozer when I encountered this article in "Yank." I thought "My heavenly days, have they dug that up buried for these fifteen years?" However, since they have, I might just as well tell you that I know just what it took to considerable pleasure in picking the whole thing to pieces. If the Infantry Journal wants to know anything about psychology—well—just let them come to me—I could tell them things they'd never believe—much less PRINT.

In the first place the article tells how easy it is to panic G.I.s and cites instances such as cries of "Gas" or "We're cut off." They don't know the half of it. I've seen panics caused by the sound of a mess sergeant's whistle and mass exoduses at high speed on the mere whisper of the term "detail."

"You can stay up all night," the article goes on to promise, "keep awake and provided you keep using some muscles, at least the speaking muscles." Well—I've no quarrel with that thesis, in fact they practically took the words out of my mouth (Unpleasant trick). Many's the time and often I've found myself utterly exhausted at the end of a day of not particularly hard work. I'd feel like dragging myself home, collapsing on my bunk and staying there. Let, however, someone suggest popping in town and having a few nips at Bob's place. I instantly un-will and can be the life of the party until all hours of night.

How to be brave

"How to be brave and safe" says our informant, "that is the greatest psychological problem of the soldier." Isn't it the truth? It's just the old business of wanting to have one cake and eat it and about as easy of solution as perpetual motion. Bravery decreases in exact ratio to the increase of civilization. The more effete we become the more we depend upon paying for the bravery of the policemen. In fact, in our society an exercise of personal valor is penalized. Pop a wise guy in the eye and he'll say "no you'll be tossed into the cooler."

Bravery is a nebulous and incalculable thing, anyhow, though not thoughtlessly heroic I expect that vanity or self esteem

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AUTOGRAPH-SEEKING was the order of the day among WACs at Fort Benning on Sunday when Alice Marble and Mary Hardwick, famed tennis stars, visited the post on their nationwide tour of large WAC encampments. Shown above, left to right, are: Pfc. Dorothy Whitlock, Columbia, S. C., Miss Marble, Miss Hardwick, and Pvt. Louis Simms, San Diego, Cal. The WACs are members of the station complement detachment at Fort Benning. (U. S. Army Signal Corps photo.)

HC WAC Fetes 7th Armored

Hundreds of 7th Armored Division men met and were entertained by visiting WACs from the Harmony Church area when they participated in a full evening's fun at the Sand Hill Service club last week.

The program which included a "blind date" session conducted between 7th Armored Division men and the visiting women brought many laughs. The program was arranged and sponsored by the 7th Armored Division's own Special Services section.

Assisting Lt. W. D. Karrenbauer of Special Services were Sgt. W. J. Jones and Cpl. Chris Woessner, Division Service company's baritone who acted as master of ceremonies.

Visiting women, all non-commissioned officers who vied with 7th Armored Division soldiers in the blind date and quiz program included: T-5 Maryland Poles, T-5 Alta Riffle, T-5 Elizabeth Sidlouskas, T-4 Helen Owens, T-5 Dorothy Sexton, and T-4 Glennia Popp. They are assigned to the Second Student Training Regiment, WAC Detachment, TIS.

Seventh Armored men who joined in the question and answer exercises were: Pfc. William S. Byrd, Headquarters Battery, 434th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, Sgt. Jesse B. Shumaker, Company C, 48th Armored Infantry Regiment, Pvt. Grant R. Odum, Service Battery, 440th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, T-5 Chester Kopp, Company D, 40th Armored Regiment, Second Battalion, Pvt. Robert A. King, Service Battery, 434th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, and Pfc. James Wilson, Service Battery, 440th Armored Field Artillery Battalion.

Music for the entire evening's program was furnished by the 31st Armored Regiment band, led by S. Sgt. Charles De Pasquale. The band, whose members had considerable practice in the dance, has become more and more popular within the Division.

Cpl. Chris Woessner, who was singing in "Old Limits," the 7th Armored Division's big success at Camp Polk, Louisiana, sang "Let's Get Lost" previous to a short dance period arranged especially for the contestants in the show.

Now I'm no misogynist and the American woman has always found in me a staunch advocate but I'd just like to know what this guy means by "complex needs." Complex needs forsooth—complex rubbish or, as the French would say "Quelle blague!"

Why only say "I'm a woman" and conserving to a friend of mine that life on an army post is a perfect refutation of the indispensability of the feminine gender. How veraciously penetrating is the adage of the old New England horn book "Woman, woman, thou wert made the peace of earth to invade."

STITCH AWAY If this lad, with his "complex needs" is alluding to washing ironing, sewing, darning, etc. just let him wander through a squad room and glance about. He'll see the G.I.'s scrubbing their clothes, wielding electric irons and stitching away like mad with a mean needle, chattering gaily away the while with a blithe loquacity which makes the members of the Saux Center Ladies United Society appear like a congress of deaf mutes by contrast.

Maybe "complex needs" means being scolded about dropping ashes on the floor and laid out about not hanging up ones things when one enters the house or given hell for using the tank type vacuum cleaner as a paint spreader. No—let me tell you the absence of ladies bears its own compensations. When I go to take a shower in the evening I don't have to bother about drawing the shade. If I feel uncivil before breakfast, which is a prerogative that should have been included in the Bill of Rights, no one demands that I behave like a Christian human being and it is not incumbent upon me to kiss the G. I. sitting across the table before I come to eat.

No—this person is quite definitely off the ball in the matter of psychology. I could do very much better myself as I said before but why should I? Psychologists are worth big money. Should I tell the army all I know for \$50.00 a month. I'm not dreaming of it.

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And here it is. You'll lead off with fruit cocktail, cream of celery soup, olives, pickles, celery hearts. Then will come roast turkey with sage dressing, cranberry sauce, glibet gravy with rice, mashed potatoes, green peas, creamed corn, and tomato and lettuce salad with mayonnaise. To top off the meal, there'll be pumpkin pie, ice cream, cookies, apples, oranges, and grapes. And for sidearms, of course, there's hot rolls and butter, crackers, coffee and lemonade.

Not bad for this food-short year of 1943. Actually, according to Capt. Marcus E. Cooper, subsistence officer on the staff of Col. Stephen B. Massey, director of supply, there's only one item missing that was provided a year ago.

That item is baked ham. But who wants ham, anyway, when there's a pound of turkey per man dished out. Reason that ham has been eliminated from this year's menu is that the supply officials felt a large amount of meat, such as would be required at Benning, could be diverted to the rationed civilian populace to make their Thanksgiving menu a little more attractive.

The requisitions for the food listed above are now being prepared in Captain Cooper's office, and will be forwarded to the Quartermaster Market Center in Columbus by September 10th. That means that it won't be long afterwards that Benning's supply of turkey will be ordered and ear-marked for G.I. consumption on Thanksgiving day.

The cost of the Turkey Day menu this year, in case you're interested, will be 95.52 cents, the additional amount over a regular day's ration being taken care of by Uncle Sam with the annual "turkey ration" which is issued for both Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Wearing Uniform Nothing New to 3rd STR Aspirant

O. C. Grant Donned Gold Braids 15 Years Under Kleig Lights

Putting on a uniform was no new experience for Officer Candidate James E. Grant of the Seventh Company in the Third Student Training Regiment when he entered the Army a few months ago.

In fact, Grant has been wearing a uniform for 15 years as a naval officer, a cavalryman, AAF officer, and even as an officer of foreign nations.

Grant, however, was not a soldier of fortune. His job was to do character and straight parts for the movies from 1928 on, and he wore the uniforms and interpreted the roles before Hollywood movie cameras.

While in Hollywood, he became a member of Actor Victor McLaglen's famed Light Horse Troop, which appeared before exclusive horse shows and benefit affairs throughout the country performing thrilling drills and stunts riding feats.

Grant broke into the entertainment business as leader of his own dance orchestra in California. He forsook this pursuit to become a dancer and while following this vocation met George Raft,

who, at the same time, also was a hooper.

Grant estimates that in the 15 years he has been associated with the moving picture industry he has appeared in about 700 pictures. Some of the pictures in which he was working before coming into the Army still have not been released.

At one time, Grant owned a 40-foot pleasure cruiser which, he said, he kept at the same wharf with Errol Flynn's famous yacht.

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1st STR Unit Comprised of Vets Of Actual Warfare

Just about every important theatre of operations, as well as Army posts all over the United States, have representatives in the new Officers Advanced Class now in the 18th Company of the 1st Student Training Regiment, The Infantry School.

Comprising a good cross-section of the Infantry, with a few members from other branches mixed in, the 18th boasts officers from armored divisions, more generally known as the "rattletap, Infantry," from the new light jungle and mountain divisions, replacement pools, IRT's, and from both the tactical and academic staffs here at Fort Benning.

Many members of the class are veterans of foreign service. Some have seen combat in North Africa, Hawaii, and Alaska. One member of the class, 1st Lieutenant Randolph Eddy, has experienced both extremes of climate and terrain, having served in Panama and Greenland.

Academic Reg't Band Is Busy

"So busy band, that outfit of Cpl. Soddy Haines of the Academic Regiment of The Infantry School."

It played at the Rotary party given by Brig. Gen. Walter S. Fulton at the Officers Club last week. It played at the Officers' Club dance Thursday and has been booked for that affair for the next two months.

And Saturday nights—Master Sgt. W. L. Chaffin, regimental sergeant major who does the bookings is swamped with from three to six requests for each week-end. The band averages 15 bookings a month.

Company for a period of four months.

Since the opening of the advanced class in the 15th Company, five of the officer-students have been promoted. They are, from captain to major: Woodrow M. Dumont, Robert W. Jenkins, Fred W. Collins; from 1st lieutenant to captain: M. A. Hubble and R. T. Linder.

Lieut. Christain 15th Company CO

After an absence of about four months, 1st Lieutenant Charles D. Christain formerly a tactical officer in the 15th Company, 1st Student Training Regiment, The Infantry School, has returned as company commander. He relieves Captain D. B. Durham, who has been assigned to another officers advanced class as a student. Captain Durham commanded the 15th

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After months of basic training, advanced training, and super-advanced training (not to mention various other assorted types authorized by the War Department) we found ourselves in the middle of a dense forest "somewhere in the United States."

"Maneuvers. Hmmm that sounds like fun," we thought. About that time our first chow call in the field was given so we all maneuvered, as fast as possible, over to the mess truck. There we were, second in line, as the 1st sergeant made the announcement, "Everyone fall out to police up the area from here into Popok and back." Podunk being only ten miles away, we fell out quite willingly and picked up cigarette butts, tin cans, candy wrappers, chewing gum and a blonde which went in the line only to find that our place had switched from second to something like one hundred and twelve.

Never having spent much time in the field, and not being field soldiers in the first place, we found that our new life afforded many opportunities to become efficient in various things absolutely unknown to us before. We came from a city, where spades are good bides in a bridge game and picks are small instruments used to chop ice for cocktails. You can well imagine our consternation then at being handed said instruments and not recognizing them for what they were. However we soon lived this disgrace down, learned to handle them expertly, and could dig a slit trench or fox hole in only six hours time. (This was later shortened to two hours when we found out that the metal part of the spade is the end that goes into the ground).

During operations we live under tactical conditions. This means that when we hear a horn blow—three blasts for air attack—four for ground attack, and five for something-or-other (we never get them mixed up) we are to grab our weapon and run—like mad in any direction, always making sure to follow someone else. We can blame them in case we're wrong.

TOTAL BLACKOUT
During tactical operations we are not allowed to have any tenage up during the day, and at night we operate in total blackout. This makes it necessary for us to put our tents up at night with only our sense of touch to

guide us. It is fairly easy to pick out an area which is not covered with underbrush or blackberry vines (if there is such an area in Tennessee) but not always so easy to see just what we are getting into. We'll never forget the night we picked a cozy little place, which had a nice carpeting of "something" to protect us from the hard ground, and awoke the next morning to find we had spent the night in a growth of poison ivy under which reposed a nest of little ant hills. However the ant bites and slight case of poison ivy which resulted didn't bother us much as we could hardly distinguish these from the chigger and mosquito bites which already covered large areas of our body. After each tactical operation we have a "rest period" of two or three days duration. "Rest period" can be liberally translated to mean "time in which to catch up on all of the work not accomplished during the operation." During these periods a certain percentage of personnel is allowed to visit towns near our bivouac. Somehow we never seem to be included in that happy lot going to the city so we accept our defeat with the grace bestowed on us by patrician parents, wash our face, change our undershirt, dress in our khaki with the barracks bag crease, put on our second best pair of GI shoes and off we go to town. The typical town near which we manage to bivouac during rest periods has a name something like Blue Gumbo, Periwinkle Junction, or Shadow Point. (The latter so named as it is completely devoid of vegetation of any sort). This typical town is usually inhabited by 5 men, 8 women, 2 children, and some few thousand dogs, cats, goats, and chickens. The only entertainment afforded is that derived from the gossip around the cracker barrel in the village store, and refreshment consisting of a purchase of a moist five cent cake and warm drink—any one of a million substitutes for Coca-Cola. Of course all of this happy picture depends on whether or not we are lucky enough to get transportation into said settlement. Most of us are not too fastidious by this time and we never mind riding behind a mule or on a wagon load of fertilizer.

NO FIELD SOLDIERS
We have already mentioned the fact that we are not field soldiers. This sad detail is lamented by one and all but we manage to make the best of it. The glorified titles under the general classification of "typewriter commanders." Typical of the sub title (and there are many) is "supreme commander of the strategic map," which belongs to us. As SC of the SM we are the T-4 who instructs the T-5 in the proper method of plotting areas to be used for kitchen stumps.

There are many drawbacks to being a typewriter commander in the field as we are expected to know our own job as well as that of the "Tough Old Field Sergeant" who has more service stripes, wound stripes, commendations and campaign ribbons than we have pairs of fatigues (although we work in G-4) and who has served in many foreign lands such as Brooklyn, Madagascar, Shanghai and Oklahoma.

This account of our experiences would hardly be complete without a detailed description of our manner of bathing. We are allowed one quart of water per day under tactical conditions and of this we have to portion out a sufficient amount in which to shave, brush our teeth, wash off a small area on our face, and clean our vehicle—this leaves enough to toss into our toilet when we get to the point where we can't close our mouth. During rest periods we are allowed a considerably larger amount (as much as we can secure from the kitchen—undetected) and this affords us the opportunity of a real "bath." We borrow a helmet from our best friend (when he isn't looking) and fill it and our own to the brim; we then get our wash cloth, soap, and towel and disrobe. The next step isn't always the same but it's usually one of three things: we either drop out the field and wash in an ant hill; spill all of our water from one helmet onto our towel; or discover that the order has been given to "prepare to move out in five minutes." Somehow we never seem to mind too much though and if we



T-5 YOUNG DISPLAYS HIS PIN-UP GIRL COLLECTION

7th Armored T-5 Is Whiz At Figures And 'Figures'

He Claims Title
As King of Pin-Up
Girl Pic Collectors

T-5 Winston K. Young isn't filling out income tax returns as he did before he came to Benning. Instead, between you and me—and the other girls—he's the man that could hurriedly put the "pin up editor" wise. All of Cpl. Young, of Service Company, 7th Armored Division Headquarters, owns approximately 700 autographed photographs of the prettiest women in the world—the Hollywood queens.

Young, only child of Mrs. Pearl B. Young, of Gonzales, Texas, is constantly sought out by fellow soldiers. They know full well that Cpl. Young has "power" with the beauties of the screen. It was he who kept them guessing while out in the desert whose photo would come next. Every day nearly one or more of the stars write him and this stockily built Texan whose pen for fig-ures—mathematics, please—finally led to his being placed in a job in the Finance section of the division.

He began making his collections some two or three years ago. Ann Miller very generously told Cpl. Young that movie actresses were human. Furthermore she gave him a studio permit—made him feel at home. Among the favorites of his are Carol Landis, Ann Sheridan, Esther Williams, Joan Blondell and Joe Carroll Dennison.

This fact of Cpl. Young's has made him known to all his fellow workers and men in the "con-man" line. Every day now someone yells at the Corporal, "What did we get today?" He shares with the men of the Company if he gets more than one photo. He has also sent many of them home to his mother for safekeeping.

have managed to clean out one star fairly well we feel refreshed for at least the next 24 hours.

ONLY 98 PER CENT WORK

We don't want to leave our readers with the impression that maneuvers are all work and no play—there's only 98 per cent of work. On week-ends there is always at least one movie at Headquarters and everyone attends. We go early so we can pick the softest rocks to sit on and an area where a minimes of weeds get into our neck. We can't see very well without our specs (and we never remember to take them). The type with the action laid in a dark room or under moonlight conditions so we really can't distinguish one character from another but nevertheless we do enjoy ourselves.

This is about all we have to report. We would like to take time to tell you about some of the really serious work we have accomplished here but that would be a long and laborious task and we would not amuse our readers as much as we hope this account will. Also we mean no offense to any of the residents of this state and we have truly enjoyed being among them and visiting their cities and towns. This article is really a satire on Army life in the field and does not present a true picture of the fun and good times enjoyed by all the men.

NOV. 10 to our readers: This paragraph had to be added to get us by the censors.

With Civilians
MYRTLE M. JOINES

Starting out as an experimenter, the Bookmobile, operated by Hazel Reed, librarian in Service Club No. 5, to serve colored soldiers in the Harmony Church Area, has become one of the most anticipated events of the week. Designed to serve those soldiers with text books, reference works and fiction in this area where at too great distance to avail themselves of the opportunities of the Library, this Bookmobile is run each week.

Due to unforeseen transportation problems this week the soldiers are indebted to Chaplain Levi L. Stammers of the 3rd Student Training Regiment, who loaned car and driver in order that his men have the reading material required for their studies as well as recreation.

Vacations are still in progress at the Motor Transport Division. Joyce Vincent has just returned from New Orleans. Maude L. Ball is on leave. James B. McCoy is in Atlanta getting his son in school. The Ordnance Division has two distinguished civilians on temporary duty as auto advisors. They are Mr. Amick and Mr. Burnett.

Jennie Mae Robinson and Eula Mae Dokas, Civilian Personal Division, post headquarters, have returned from an exciting vacation spent in Panama City, Fla. Present at the launching of the "Victor Herbert" built and launched at the General Jonathon Wainwright ship yards in Panama City, they had the interesting experience of seeing Mrs. Wainwright christen this boat to the tune of "Kiss Me Again," and "Ah! Sweet Mystery of Life," two of the most popular tunes by this famous American composer.

All employees working on this boat who had not missed one day from work on her were rewarded by being the first to ride on her as she slid down the ways on to the water docks for completion and commissioning.

Other distinguished visitors were the governor of Florida, several congressmen and state and city officials.

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son and Eula Mae Dokas are spending their vacation, Panama City is the locale selected by these two from Civilian Personnel for their resting-up for a hard winter.

Preston L. Strother, Senior Air Craft Mechanic, left the 23rd for two weeks' course in wire and cable splicing at Warner Robbins.

Interesting news from two former employees at the sub-depot, Ernest H. Bram, propeller mechanic, and William Schupp are Inez B. Register, aerial repair-

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Former Orchestra Leader Master of Divers Jobs

The duty roster doesn't list the variety of jobs T-5 George Phillips, former orchestra leader and foundry worker does perform. He is assigned as a wire corporal in A Battery, 440th Armored Field Artillery Battalion of the 7th Armored Division, but between times he paints and plays an accordion or a violin. If there's an odd job that requires any particular skill Corporal Phillips may be relied upon. He has done his share of KP and guard duty, as well. He has walked point and decorated everything within sight almost.

A master with pen and brush Cpl. Phillips has done commercial sign painting, interior decorating, portrait painting and any type of lettering and drawing. His handiwork is conspicuous in and around his battalion area.

Phillips before being inducted into the Army conducted his own orchestra in East St. Louis, Mo., having played for radio stations in that section. The all-string orchestra was called "Trail Blazer Band." Two of his brothers, Cpl. Willie Phillips, of the IIIrd Armored Division, and Charles Phillips, a second class seaman, were members of the band which played evenings after the men had completed a day's work at the foundry.

In the band were two more soldiers, Pvt. Rudy Pospishil, of the 23rd Engineers, Camp Pickett, Va., and Cpl. Jerome Swachil, 109th Infantry, Camp Livingston, La.

The mandolin player, painter, artist, sculptor, steel worker, a man of talents extraordinary, whose band was disorganized, is undisturbed. He continues his work, with less pay, and furnishes music too. In short, he is the answer to the first sergeant's prayer—a man to do the job.

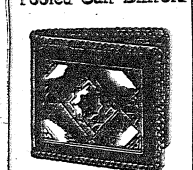
Marie J. Bragg of Post Ordnance is spending her vacation at home. Seems she doesn't want to get too far away from the post ordinance and Fort Benning.

It's happy birthday to Guy "Pop" Henderson at the post ordinance, for he had another birthday on the 20th.

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World War II Entered Its Fifth Year Sept. 1

World War II entered its fifth year yesterday, a year which will mark the bonds of a fascist-Nazi-ridden Europe unbroken.

The anniversary was not marked by an inspiring victory pep talk by Der Fuehrer from a Munich beer hall. Nor did Hermann Goering promise "our cities will not be bombed." Herr Goebbels was quiet.

Those three once had a partner—among certain others. This fellow ran out a couple of months ago. Whether or not he was ever anything more than a liability has always been a moot question, but none the less Mussolini disappeared from the scene. He saw the handwriting on the wall.

They also had a timetable once. That timetable had promised great feats for the Third Reich. As a matter of fact it did work—for a while. Then something happened—Allied strength grew and was unleashed.

Now we do not hear anything of a Nazi-Fascist timetable. They are not going anywhere. Their only hope is of staying as long as they can hold on.

Hitler's panzers invaded Poland Sept. 1, 1939. Great Britain, France and Canada declared war on Germany two days later. But Poland was ravished quickly. The winter Hitler didn't make much war news.

The Allies had the Maginot Line. The Germans had the Siegfried Line. We had the "phony war" complete with loud-speaker systems rigged up on both sides, each espousing its own cause and appealing to the other to give up the hopeless conflict.

The only fighting that winter was on the Russo-Finnish front.

Spring came and with it the German invasion of Denmark and Norway "for their protection." Later the Nazis overran the Low Countries. France was soon swamped, and Memorial Day, 1940, in this country was a sad one.

The big headlines then were based on the Dunkerque evacuation. Things looked pretty grim for the Allies—the democracies. Mussolini plunged Italy into the war, but the first act of the Italian troops was to destroy the bridges connecting Italy and France.

The Axis then turned its attention to the rich Balkan states. Italy was given the job of wresting Greece from the Greeks. Mussolini had many a headache from that campaign. Meanwhile Germany drew the Yugoslavians in.

All this time the Luftwaffe was doing yeoman service for the Reich over England. But the stout Britons held out. They took what the Axis dealt, and the Royal Air Force distinguished itself.

On June 22, 1941, Germany invaded Russia without renouncing the "non-aggression" treaty of 1939 or declaring war. British and United States aid was at once promised Russia.

Hitler had a timetable for the Russian war, but the Russian people had other plans. He had a pretty hard winter that year and eyed North Africa and the Suez Canal. Fighting began in the desert.

Late that winter Japanese horns slung a lazy giant out in the Pacific. Big news was made that fateful Dec. 7 at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. Things went rather well for the Japs until they expanded to a point where their supply lines were straining. Then the tide turned.

Meantime Germany and Italy declared war on the United States along with the Japanese declaration. That was just a formality. The Axis had been sinking American shipping all along. Now the cards were on the table.

Our country entered the war pretty cocksure. Reverses in the Pacific soon taught us that it was not a "talking" war. We stepped up production, began supplying our forces better and at the same time sending more Lend Lease equipment to the United Nations.

The past year has seen initial Axis gains steadily shrink. The Germans and Italians have been driven out of North Africa. Continental cities now under the Axis heel are suffering rains of bombs rather than English cities.

Now the German war lords have the nerve and bad memories to stamp bombing as "brutal and inhuman."

The Continent is straining at its chains. Norway, Denmark, the Low Countries, France, the Balkans—patiently waiting for the imminent invasion by United Nations forces which will set them free.

IT WILL COME. And that is why the German hierarchy is not making any promises this anniversary of the war. That is why the Nazis have dug in.

When they are out of the way and the Continent is liberated, then the United Nations will unloose its full fury in the Pacific and write the final chapter of World War II.

—SAK

Yankees Should Know Brazil Much Better

The recent visit of General Eurico Dutra the Brazilian War Minister and the presence of a group of officers from that country who are undergoing training at Fort Benning together with the warm relations between the Brazilian Government and our own behave Americans to know considerably more about that largest of Latin republics in this hemisphere. Of all the countries in South America Brazil has manifested the most consistent friendliness toward us and shown more respect for our cul-

ture while the others have looked to continental Europe for spiritual inspiration.

While there are, no doubt, various and ramified reasons for this happy peculiarity it seems reasonable to suppose that two major factors are responsible. One is that our national interests have complemented rather than conflicted with one another. Brazil has found us an excellent customer for her agricultural products and she in turn has assimilated great quantities of our industrial commodities.

A second consideration is that Brazil seems not to have subscribed to the creed that the United States seeks political hegemony over the Latin republics and has not viewed us with the suspicion with which the smaller and less self-confident states used to do.

While Brazil was colonized in the 16th century by the Portuguese the territory had little importance in its own right until the Emperor Napoleon invaded Portugal. As the French monarch's armies approached the gates of Lisbon the Queen Regent and her son, the Prince of Portugal with an enormous train of courtiers embarked in a vast fleet of vessels lying in the Tagus and sailed off to their South American dominions under the protection of an English squadron.

This government in exile opened up the ports of Brazil which had formerly excluded all but Portuguese shipping to world trade and the Brazilians and their court built Rio de Janeiro from grubby frontier seaport into one of the most beautiful capitals in the entire world.

When they putting down of Bonaparte enabled their return the Prince of Brazil (which style was then the prerogative of the heir to the Portuguese throne similar to that of Prince of Wales in England) was made regent. The popular hero, however, desired independence and Dom Pedro, the Regent, proclaimed Brazil an independent empire in 1822. The first Emperor abdicated in 1889 in favor of his son Dom Pedro II who reigned until 1889 in which year a bloodless revolution occurred and a republic was proclaimed which has obtained until the present day.

Out of a population of 88,680,000 in South America nearly one half are Brazilian nationals. While it is true that many of these speak only native Indian dialects the same condition prevails in all the other republics. None the less, although the number of Portuguese speaking people in South America is so formidable this factor is usually completely overlooked by our latter day Horace Greeleys, who point to South America as a land of opportunity for North Americans. These persons stress the study of Spanish exclusively as a means of fostering relations and cultural relations apparently forgotten in their preoccupation that Portuguese, a quite kindred tongue is spoken by a proportion of the population which is at once nearly a half of the total.

Housing Conditions In Columbus Are Bad

Although the government, the Army and other interested agencies have warned soldiers not to bring their wives and families to Columbus without previously securing quarters for them these admonitions have been utterly disregarded and local housing conditions are worsening. An official of the U. S. O. says it is not unusual for seven or more women to spend the night on sofas and chairs of the club and want ads for apartments are referred to in a news item as "pathetic."

The situation may be "pathetic" but it also denotes a stupidity of the advertisers and an insufferable inclination on the part of irresponsible people to cast their responsibilities into the lap of society.

Obviously a soldier and his family want to be together by any sane standard it is absurd that every time he transfers himself, he must go to another country in the world as a circumstance tolerated and it never was before in this country.

During the last war when a man went away he recognized it as one of the hardships of the situation that he must forego home ties and such things as "guest houses" at military posts were completely inconceivable. Nowadays the families of enlisted men plant themselves in guest houses and, according to one of the hostesses, often decline to move at the expiration of their allotted time. One sees women at the cafeteria with tiny infants in their arms to the discomfort of other patrons and certainly with no good effects on the children.

Worst of all is the circumstance of the railways where these same adolescent mothers travel in day coaches overnight and, indeed for several days at a stretch. No matter how crowded the cars these women naturally get a seat, nearly invariably at the expense of some service man.

One of the western railways has imposed restrictions on travel and in some sections service men are allowed to enter cars before the civilian public. However this is little help since when the old and infirm and women carrying children enter, the men in uniform feel morally obliged to relinquish their seats anyhow. Unpopular though such a measure might be it would certainly make for a more efficient prosecution of the war if government were to regulate civilian movements.

Parents have two jobs—not only to bring their children up the right way but to see they have the right world to grow up in.

No children are hopeless unless father and mother are.



USO Presents CHANGE IN USO DIRECTORS AND DRIVE TO PROCURE HOUSING FACILITIES

By PVT. SHELDON A. KEITEL

Program director at the Phenix City USO since last spring, Mrs. Kathleen Smith has taken over the same duties at the Salvation Army USO, 1233 Broadway, Columbus. . . . Capt. Richard Bergen, director of the Phenix City USO, has been named director of the Salvation Army USOs in the Fort Benning area. . . . He will retain his offices and directorate in Phenix City and in addition will assume charge of the Columbus unit. . . . Replacing Mrs. Smith in Phenix City will be Mrs. James Scott. . . . Mr. Scott has been appointed associate director of the Columbus club.

In the face of the acute housing situation in the Columbus-Fort Benning, the

USO housing committee is launching a concerted drive for housing facilities for soldiers. . . . Appeals will be issued to Columbus householders and landlords to register more rooms at reasonable rental rates. . . . Protection will be provided landlords against undesirable tenants. . . . The Travelers' Aid, component unit of the United Service Organizations, has offered biling to soldiers in Columbus when it is available.

A music appreciation forum will be held every Monday at 8 p. m. (EWT) in the Army-Navy YMCA USO. . . . Starting last Monday, Pfc. J. L. DeLaney of Fort Benning led the discussions which include composers, performers, instruments and musical form. . . .

This Khaki'd World

G. I. AMA GRIPE

The hurling guy in Benning these days is Corp. E. Barry Sturmer, wavy-haired Adonis of the Special Service Office, who just can't seem to learn from experience. Every time he has to take a group of G. I.'s out to Abe Strauss' swell swimming pool (where we ain't hissing) he can't resist going swimming. And every time he goes swimming he gets a gorgeous case of red nose and running eyes. Come Monday a.m. and he looks like we imagine the denizens of Phenix City dives used to look without makeup. Not that we were able to find any dives in Phenix City, darn it, but it's just a finger of speech.

Sgt. Pont over in the Parachute School claims to be the shrimp-eating champion of Ft. Benning. Restaurants in Atlanta lay in fresh stocks of the delectable sea-food when they hear he's headed up north.

Why doesn't somebody ever tell me these things? Sgt. Malone who so deftly handles the mike on the Reception Center Chorus broadcasts, gets bars—as a chaplain. And when I think of the language I've been using around him for these many months! Task task.

Guess we're just a failure as a columnist. For past two weeks we've been begging and praying for you G. I.'s to send along some of the personality stuff from your regiments, companies, platoons, squads. But nothing has come in yet. Watsa matter—nothing interesting happening in this whole very close by the Headquarters Detachment, Sec. 1, mess hall. Seems he had a watermelon on the ice for a week and finally decided he'd slice it up—only to discover that some villain had eaten the thing. He's looking for watermelon stains on the boys' shirts now.

Pvt. Marty is a bit worried these days. He's been transferred to the 515th and is afraid

they'll gonna make him wear his jump boots again—and he's figured that in the course of a year it takes 15,234 extra strokes to keep those things polished up over ordinary G. I. shoes.

We're still gripped as—oh, as anything—over the practice of "cinching" food at mess tables lately. Haven't any of you guys got any good gripes? Pass 'em along.

Another thing we're gripped about is the magnolias. When we came to the Sunny (and how!) South we were told they sweled enough to chase a guy out of a room, if he happened to have a tree growing in a room. But the dogged things never smelled a bit. Then somebody told us that the whatever-they-are that follow the blooms would turn a very beautiful pink and then they'd smell. But to date, no smell from the magnolias. Any of you Rebels want to make anything of it?

Story in "Bayonet" last week said that an officer had delivered some 80,000 lectures in a few months. Getting out pencil and paper, that would figure out to some hundreds of lectures every day. And everybody knows there is only 24 hours in a day and even us guys in the Army have to take time off to sleep now and then. A bit of investigation showed it was just a slip of the typewriter—he had lectured before 80,000, or more persons, is the way it should have gone.

Capt. Samuel E. Lowry is going around these days looking very, very closely at the shirts-fronts of all the boys in the Headquarters Detachment, Sec. 1, mess hall. Seems he had a watermelon on the ice for a week and finally decided he'd slice it up—only to discover that some villain had eaten the thing. He's looking for watermelon stains on the boys' shirts now.

Food—For Thought

Observed congregated near the Mess Hall, a group of "Dogfaces" engaged in a very animated confab.

FIRST ROOKIE: I said the mess was a mess. Who says it's otherwise?

THE OLD SARGE: I'll admit that this mess hall isn't quite on the ball and that they have a lot to learn. . . .

SECOND ROOKIE: You can say that again. Tell me this, tell me this, why do we get beef stew all the time? I thought the Army was supposed to get the choice meats.

prime beef is purchased.

THIRD ROOKIE: Then why do we always get beef stew—beef stew—all the time?

THE OLD SARGE: I'm coming to that. The Army grew so fast that it was impossible to have experienced cooks in charge of each mess hall. Right now, we have a lot in our mess who is anything but experienced, if he was, he would know how to make the best use of the meat we receive. As it is, he just takes the easiest way out by cutting up making beef stew. But in time, he'll learn that a quarter of beef has some tender meat that is good for dry roasting; some that is less tender but good for braise roasting and the remainder is not tender enough for roasting and should be used for beef stew.

FIRST ROOKIE: Looks to me

Sgt. McDonald's Basket

GENERAL GUAGMI RE PUZZLES SARGE AND WE CONFESS SARGE PUZZLES US

BY S. SGT. TOM McDONALD

In the course of the usual military affairs there comes a time in every officer's life when someone has to fill out an efficiency report on his standing as a warrior.

In the case of T. P. Swampwater, Colonel, Infantry, this significant task had often fallen upon the broad shoulders of General Aspur G. Quagmire, Brigadier General at large, a harsh, respectful old gentleman who never let duty interfere with pleasure. So when he came beaming into the office this morning, I knew exactly what was up. The only time he ever "beamed" was when he could use the upper hand with T. P., a phenomenon which afforded him immeasurable detail. This gathering "personality low-down" on his old crony afforded him no greater glory.

As on previous occasions, Aspur picked his calling time to correspond with an almost empty office and Colonel Swampwater's conspicuous absence was prone to move the ole boy to almost unheralded daring.

Having had a previous misunderstanding with the "higher brass," I did not make my presence known when he entered, but took refuge behind the filling cabinet instead, a vantage point which afforded me no end of first-hand observation with a maximum degree of concealment. Since Private Sawgrass had gone with the Colonel to call on the Corps of Engineers (about a requisition that was put in

during the fall of 1932) I was all alone in the office with our distinguished visitor.

After rolling his eyes cautiously around the room, the ol' boy took out his handkerchief and vigorously rubbed the silver stars on his collar; at the same time marveling at their lustre.

After carefully completing this job he strolled over to Colonel Swampwater's wastebasket and emptied the contents on his desk. I recalled as he did so that the basket had not been emptied at all during the past twelve months, a fact that invoked me to marvel a bit at the contents.

There were, besides innumerable chewing gum wrappers, a ball of green twine, 4 hairpins, 13 discarded T.O.'s, a requisition—that had been lost in April, and several Valentine cards from some of the Colonel's many admirers.

The Valentine cards immediately caught the general's eyes. Trembling eagerly at their envelopes, he carefully read each one clear through. Then he sat down at Colonel Swampwater's desk and carefully copied the contents of each card on the efficiency report, grinning like a laughing baboon all during the operation.

Next he put everything back in the wastebasket, put the efficiency report in his hip pocket and tip-toed out of the office, at the same time leaving me to puzzle at the strange leer on his face.

Kay's Husband Says—

IT IS COMFORTING TO KNOW POST ENGINEER A LWAYS ON SPOT

Kay can go away on a vacation so long as we live at Fort Benning and I will not have one fear that I would normally have back in civilian life.

Should a faucet begin leaking, as they always seem to do, or if any one of the other many thousand and one things about a house go wrong, which always seem to be happening, Col. Bain, Mr. Ford and their men, I know, will come running. In fact, they would run faster if they knew my shortcomings better.

Now my sister, even as a child, was pretty handy with a saw and hammer, and I came to depend on the fact that women were good to have around a house when things went wrong. I don't hold with those who feel that a man should spend his time tinkering with burnt out lamp cords. To me that's a woman's work.

Anyway, Kay learned early that if anything were to be fixed without calling for outside aid, she'd have to do it. My last at Fort Benning has a completely tempt was back about 1934. She efficient post engineer.

had wanted to iron something at night, but I something was wrong with the cord. I felt a surge of many supremacy and attacked the thing with a knife, a screwdriver and more gusto apparently than skill.

I completed the task and beamed with righteous pride. I thought that Kay looked skeptical, but she had some faith in me—then—and she plugged it in. Just like that any every light in the four family apartment house went out. I could hear persons stumbling and cussing and I fear that I acted the coward. Me? I just went to bed. Most newspapermen, it seems to me, have trouble with mechanical problems and math. I know while she's away, for example, she's probably worrying about the state of the family finances, but as for me, I just have faith that the bank will let me know when I run out of funds.

But to return to the subject, it really is pleasant to know that I can live peacefully while she's away with the knowledge that she'd have to do it. My last at Fort Benning has a completely tempt was back about 1934. She efficient post engineer.

TO THE ASHES OF HAMBURG

By Cpl. Marty Margolit, 22nd Co., 1st STR.

Hamburg lies in smould'ring ruins. The hungry flames rise to the skies; Fed by the vengeance of trodden people—Fanned by a spirit that never dies.

They came last night and the night before, An angry, shrieking, vengeful host, With motors roaring and young hearts pulsing, As they left the English coast.

Like a vast, unceasing stream of hornets The bombs poured down in this vale of hell, Consuming the earth in shattering thunder, As Hamburg perished in the ominous spell.

A bomb for Dunkirk, a bomb for London, A death-dealing bomb for the men of Dover, A bomb for freedom, a bomb for hope, A bomb for oppression the whole world over.

As the sins of a father visit his child, So the crimes of a people shall visit their land, And the vice that is freedom shall crush out their hearts,

Powered by the muscles of liberty's hand, Ghost talk in Hamburg's ashes tonight, Ghosts who saw Warsaw perish in fire, Ghosts who died in the grave of Lidice, Ghosts on whom Hitler vented his ire.

But they laugh, these phantoms from the dead, For their day of atonement is near, And the onyx hearts of the gory Iluns, Palpitae with chilling fear.

And the world awaits with an impatient prayer, That day, preserved for immortal fame, When the evil that is Nazidom Shall die in freedom's burning flame.

TOMORROW

Whilst skies are black with the smoke of war, The weak cast down their heads in dark despair, Their faith in God and man exists no more, And there is naught for which the cowards care. Shaken with fear, they fail to understand That the horrors of war will someday cease And suddenly as they rose to smite the land Where men had but one desire—peace. These fools will die many, many times, Ere peace will bring an end unto their sorrow, But wise men will wait till clarion chimes Announce the entrance of a new tomorrow.

—By Cpl. Marty Margolit, 22nd Co., 1st STR.

It there anything you are un- How does our daily life match willing to do which might make up with the new order we are you more effective in this crisis? striving for?

Japs Carry On Nuisance Raids After Organized Resistance Breaks

A black and white portrait of a man in a military uniform, identified as Capt. James H. Dwyer. He is wearing a dark uniform jacket with a light-colored shirt and a dark tie. He has short, dark hair and is looking slightly to the right of the camera. The background is a plain, light color.

COL, MCGOWAN

In combat, Colonel McGowan said, the Japanese used many of the tricks with which the American public is now familiar. "They were very clever," he said by correspondents. When his force arrived, however, the Jap attacks were an old story to the Americans. They were well prepared for them. The Japanese, for example, never shouted out orders in his name at night for fear of revealing his name. McGowan learned his name. The Americans, aware of the fact that a dwarf Jap at all might be a traitor, never called him by other by nicknames and gave their orders in slang which was meaningless to the Japs. McGowan said the Americans continued to employ such cunning as to call out (in English) for the platoons to "fall back," etc. McGowan was never successful, however.

Colonel McGowan said that during the course of the jungle fighting, he had to lead his battalion to work and slash

note of comfort to the soldiers. "The only one of those bombers got home, due to the accuracy of anti-aircraft fire from the shore and the trans-

In jungle fighting, the colonel said, he can't emphasize too strongly the necessity of familiarity with all the weapons of the infantry. "By that I mean," he should know how to use them," he explained.

And dexterity with the bayonet is an absolute "must" in the jungle, where the storehouse of the coast training.

His battalion put its "fence" thrower to good use, the colonel said. The Japs also used it, but used often and at terrifying short ranges. Soldiers frequently head- charged grenades for a distance of 100 yards, and the Japs took position and they had to hit the ground with more force and speed than they ever did in training. "If you don't hit the ground or wounded themselves,

proved that although the Japanese soldier had the edge on the American because of his longer training in jungle warfare, American ingenuity and inventiveness eventually triumphed.

The campaign also taught lessons in the conservation of rations and emphasized the necessity of men using their rations not only at the directions of their officers. On the island, because of the transportation difficulties, the men could have only two meals a day, one between 8 and 9 a. m. and the other between 2 and 3 p. m.

The Japs were successful in continuing to subsist after they

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Colonel Kenneth S. Whittemore, commanding officer of the Fifth Basic Training Regiment, the Infantry School, announced today that among the officers reporting for duty are five who have just returned from Iceland after 21 months service in that far northern outpost.

The officers are Major John W. MacDonald, Captain William G. Sullivan, First Lieutenants Harold E. Snyder, James H. Moore and Jean P. Tillman.

Sportscasting

BY SGT. CARL NEU

OF BASEBALL'S BIGGEST GATE

MOST AMAZING sports story of this war or any other war is the tale of the War Bond Baseball game played in New York's famed Polo Grounds last Thursday in which our own Major Hank Gowdy took part as manager of a team of Army All-Stars who lost to a combined Yankee-Giant-Dodger club, 5-2, before the highest priced crowd in history—an \$800,000,000 gate.



Never before and probably never again will so much money be socked into admission prices for a sports event—and all of it aimed directly at the Axis punks who don't even know what sports can mean to a nation at war.

Major Gowdy came back from the game over the week-end jubilant over the results, even though his team lost, and we gleaned most of the story from him and then added bits by reading what actually brought tears to the eyes of the onlookers as members of the Hall of Fame paraded before their eyes.

There was Jack (Red) Murray, Roger Bresnahan, Frankie Frisch, Eddie Collins, Babe Ruth, Honus Wagner, Walter Johnson, and Speaker, George Sisler, Duffy Lewis, all walking first to their old positions as they were introduced by Jimmy Walker. It brought a gulp to the throat of many a fan, and a gulp to Hank Gowdy, too, because "Old Goldenrod" had played with EVERY one of those famed stars, some of them as long as 30 years ago.

In the actual ball game, the TIS special service officer piloted the New Cumberland (Pa.) Army Base nine against the metropolitan stars. Lippy Leo Durocher managed the big leaguers when Mel Ott took sick and could not make the game. To augment the Cumberland team intact, the Gowdy club had runners in the scoring position but lacked the punch to put them over. The result didn't matter, though, because the fans had come to see a show and that's what they got.

Gowdy had no notice of the game whatsoever when he got a last-minute call from Lt. Col. Larry MacPhail, the former Brooklyn impresario. The TIS major, of course, accepted the chance to help out and a few days later the call was on his way to New York by plane to do his part in attacking baseball's biggest gate.

Best sidelight of the big game was printed in the N. Y. Journal-American, so guess it can be repeated here without divulging any military secrets.



But a pretty fair column writer in England once wrote "All's Well That Ends Well"—and all's well with more than 800 million bucks in Uncle Sam's war-bond treasury, and Major Hank Gowdy returned to Benning safe and sound after one of the most exciting jaunts in his entire baseball career.

Lefty Francis Gets Sweet Revenge By Downing Profs

BY SGT. FORREST KYLE
It took three games to do it, and it took 10 innings of the final and the 300th Sabers finally bested the Academic Profs last Friday night at Gowdy Field by a score of 7-6.

The Sabers came from "way back" to tie up the score after it appeared it just wasn't in the cards for the Sabers in general and Lefty Francis in particular. But the eighth was a long home run which Francis deposited over the right-center field fence in the second inning. Other than this smack, the 300th made no particular impression against the offerings of Bobo, starting Prof hurler.

The Profs nicked Francis for two runs in the first, fourth and sixth. Then in the eighth, two hits and three misuses by the usually reliable Prof producers gave runs for the Sabers and tied up the score.

BOBO RETIRES
Bobo wasn't around when the Sabers struck in the 10th. He had retired in favor of a pinch runner after opening the Prof's ninth with a single. Dickson came in and, after retiring the Sabers in the ninth without damage, was frisked for the game-winning tally. It was an especially pleasant outcome for hard-working Lefty Francis, who, before receiving his commission, was a crack hurler for the Profs.

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Spirits Open Series With TPS Tonight

LEFTY WISSMAN SLATED TO HURL FOR 176th AGAINST MIKE HOGAN

Lefty Wissman, former Rochester Red Wing hurler, will oppose an old International League rival, Mike Hogan of the Baltimore Orioles, on the mound tonight at Gowdy Field when the 176th Infantry Spirits open a five-game play-off series against the Parachute School at 7 o'clock.

Close to 6,000 fans are expected to watch the main post rivals open their battle with diamond supremacy of the post for the last half of the season at stake. The victor in the five-game series will then oppose the Academic Regiment Profs, first-half post champs, for the fort's 1943 baseball crown.

Line-Ups

176TH INFANTRY
Poland, 1b
Richardson, c
Sodowsky, 3b
Ramatozzi, ss
Schultz, rf
Lohr, lf
Erb, 2b
Sahara, c
Wissman, p

PARACHUTE SCHOOL
Kissell, 1b
Harris, 3b
Coyle, c
Porterfield, 2b
Haller, rf
Hoffield, lf
Sirodsky, if
Troch, ss
Hogan, p

1-GAME WIND-UP

The final series between the Prof and the Spirit-Chutist winner will be a seven-game affair and wind up the greatest diamond season in Benning history with a typical little world series atmosphere. That series will start three days after the second-half play-off is concluded.

After tonight's opener at Gowdy Field, the rival nines will rest tomorrow night to make room on the heavy sports schedule for the 176th-300th fight in Doughboy Stadium. The series will resume Saturday and continue on consecutive nights thereafter. The Parachute School will have the home team in tonight's opener, and after that, the clubs will alternate in the "war" dugout on the first-base side of the diamond.

The Spirits, who captured the Infantry School League crown on Sunday last with a 5-2 win over the second-place 124th Gators, will rate as a slight favorite in the series opener with Wissman on the mound. The clever southpaw has been a big factor in the 176th pennant drive with his steady mound work which included a pair of wins over the Academic Profs. In Hogan, however, Wissman will face a capable opponent who also starred in the International, winning 17 games for Baltimore two years ago.

However, Hogan will be handicapped in that he has been unable to pitch many games during the second-half race in the post loop. Faced with the loss of See SPIRITS, Page 7

All-Star Nines Will Be Announced Next Week in Bayonet

In next week's issue of the BAYONET, the 1943 all-star selections in three Fort Benning baseball leagues will be published. Blanks were distributed by the BAYONET sports editor yesterday to the coaches of all teams in the Infantry School League, the Fort Benning League, and the Service League.

Players will be chosen for all four infield and three outfield positions as well as one utility man for the inner corner and one for the garden. One catcher will be selected in each loop, but three pitchers will be named. There is also a space on the blank where the respective managers can fill in the name of the player in their league whom they considered most valuable to their team during the campaign.

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SPIRIT STARS READY—Rarin' to go in their second-half play-off series against the Parachute School are these four tossers on the 176th nine. Above are three valuable stickmen in Shuffle Lohr, regular Roland, hustling first baseman. All three were potent factors in the Spirit drive to the TIS title. On the right is Pat Cooper, the great right hand pitcher who hurled the club to its clincher win last Sunday over the 124th Gators. Cooper slammed a homer with two aboard to sew up his own game. (Signal Lab photos by Sgt. Mel Stock.)

Marble Tops Hardwick In Singles, 7-5, 6-2

Famed Players Team Up To Divide Two Sets With Men

Blonde Alice Marble, queen of American tennis, gained an impressive two-set victory over her long-time adversary, Mary Hardwick, in their exhibition match at the Officers' Club courts on Sunday night before an overflow throng of 1,500 spectators. The scores were 7-5, 6-2.

After a short intermission, the distinguished visitors then played a two-set match with two of Fort Benning's top players, Maj. Jack Butler and Lieut. Dan Canale. In a novel touch was added with the women playing the men.

MEN EVEN SCORE

Marble and Hardwick took the first set easily by a 6-3 score, but Butler and Canale rallied to win the wind-up set, 7-5. Butler is a former post champ and has long rated at the top in post court circles, while Canale, last year's Notre Dame captain, is current post champ and also holds the Columbus city title.

The Marble-Hardwick singles battle produced some splendid tennis that was reminiscent of their previous tilts at Forest Hills and all over the country on a nationwide pro tour two years ago. Both started off in stride and it was not until the seventh game that the British lass became the first to break service when she took a lead at four games to three.

MARBLE FLAMES

Marble rallied, however, to break Mary's service, and even the score and then went on to win the set with some beautiful passing shots and clever backhand efforts. The second set was Marble all the way with Hardwick winning only the third and sixth games as she bowed graciously in the count of 6-2.

The girls opened strongly in the doubles match with the men sweeping three games before the men finally won on Canale's service. But the women regained their stride and swept to an easy win on steady rallying.

The second set was different, however, and produced some of the most brilliant tennis of the evening as Butler and Canale really took off the wraps and proved themselves quite capable of battling the women both at the net and in back court. Butler, particularly, produced some neat backhand efforts and drop shots, which combined with Canale's power enabled the post players to come out on top in a hard-fought set and even the affair.

Spirit Golfers Edge Out 124th

Kupisch Nets 76 To Pace 176th

The 176th Infantry golf team edged out the 124th Infantry Unknowns 16-11, last week at the Officers' Club course.

In winning, the Spirits gained revenge for an earlier defeat by the Gators and made necessary a grudge match to be played at a later date.

KUPISCH TOPS

Scoring honors of the day went to M. C. Kupisch of the 176th who shot a 76, followed by Major Terry B. Patterson of the Gators with a 78.

The number one match was unusually close as but one hole separated the teams. Kupisch and Lee gained the advantage early in the first nine and held tenaciously to the lead, halving the last nine holes. Blivich nearly came through on the 18th, but his putt for an eagle 3 hung on the lip.

GATORS LOSE

The second match found Taylor and Arrigo taking 3 points from Lt. Col. Earle M. Shine and Bishop of the Gators.

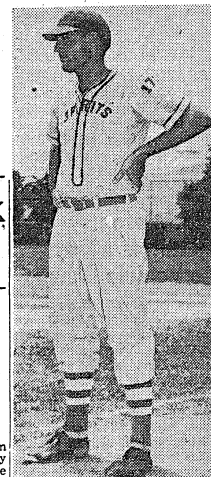
The final match told a peculiar story as Jim Todd and Ralph Vigiano both won their individual matches for the 124th, but dropped the four ball, 2-1, to Gruber and Ambrosio.

Tennis Star Gets Personal Physician To Treat Cold

Not only did Alice Marble, famed tennis star, come to Fort Benning to appear before soldiers in an exhibition match, but she came face to face with her physician, now in the Army, who has treated her for several years.

Miss Marble on Monday had developed a slight cold from her tennis match on Sunday with Mary Hardwick. So the court queen went to the Station Hospital at Fort Benning for treatment.

The physician attending her turned out to be Major Milton Rader, of 470 Park avenue, New York City, who had been Miss Marble's personal physician while he practiced in civilian life.



Gator Team Boasts New Mystery Man A La Gargantua

A human mountain of muscle, all rolled into an invaluable football machine, has been discovered by Major "Red" Milton, 124th Gator grid coach.

The latest addition to the already powerful Gator squad, has played with and against the leading professional football teams in the country. He stands 6' 1" tall and weighs 240 pounds, and cavors at a tackle position.

"Big Red" is withholding his identity, but issues a warning to the Spirits and Sabers that his new tackle is tremendous. He plans to utilize the player's experience in teaching a few new tricks to the rest of the Gator line.

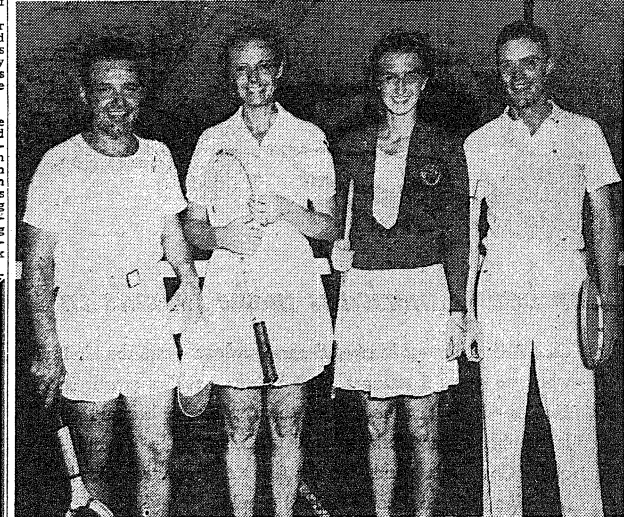
Gator Ace Christie Earns Silver Bars

Lewis W. Christie was recently promoted to 1st Lt. according to an announcement by Col. John D. Hill, 124th Infantry regimental commander.

Lt. Christie, star hurler on the 124th Infantry baseball team, joined the regiment early in the spring of 1943 and was assigned as assistant regimental personnel officer.

Christie was the property of Dallas in the Texas League and had four years pro-ball experience. Pitching for the 31st Division, he won 30 games and lost but 2 during the 1942 season.

Frankie Sinkwich, all American back from Georgia, and Bob Ferra, football and baseball star at Princeton, are Marine officer candidates at Parris Island, S. C.



TWO BENNING STARS, Maj. Jack Butler and Lieut. Dan Canale, joined forces on Sunday evening to play an exhibition doubles match against Alice Marble and Mary Hardwick, world-famed women net stars, at the Officers' Club courts. Above the contestants in the "battle of the sexes" are shown just before they took to the court. Left to right are Butler, Marble, Hardwick, and Canale. (Signal Lab photo by Sgt. Mel Stock.)

Post Grid Conference Is Formed

Six Games Slated For Stadium

Six top-flight gridiron attractions have been carded for Doughboy Stadium's clear-marked turf this fall according to the announcement made this week that the 1943 Fort Benning Conference would consist of only three teams, but that the clubs would play each other twice during the campaign.

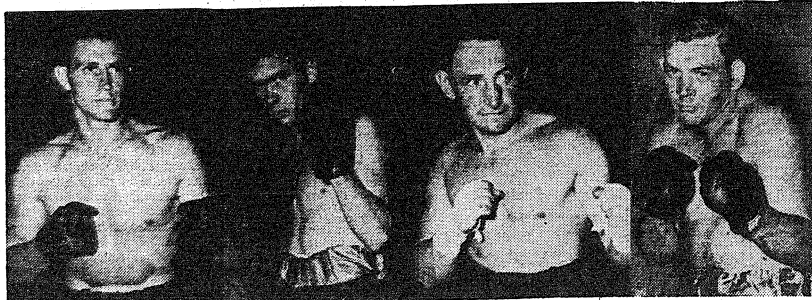
"BIG THREE" The "big three" of the gridiron this fall will be the 124th Infantry Gators, the 176th Infantry Spirits and the 300th Infantry Sabers. All three clubs have been working for more than two weeks now and prospects are that each will field a strong, hard-hitting team. The Gators, 1942 post champs, expected to defend their laurels with a powerful array of both old and new talent. Representatives of the three regiments met last week to draw up plans for the coming campaign. The conference games were scheduled with three in October, two in November and one in December. In between round dates, all three clubs will meet strong, outside opposition, both at the post and away.

VS. 176TH The official conference opener will bring together the Gators and the Spirits in a clash at Doughboy Stadium on Sunday afternoon, October 3rd. The following week, the long-awaited 124th-300th feature is carded also on a Sunday. The third battle of the first round-robin will take place on October 17th when the Sabers face the Spirits.

In the second round-robin, the Gators and Spirits will tackle one another again on November 14th, while November 21st is the date set for the return engagement between the 176th and the 300th. The big climax game of the year will bring together for the second time the Gators and the Sabers on Sunday, December 4th.

DANIEL FIELD TILT The only other game definitely carded for the stadium grid at this writing is an October 31st meeting between the 124th Gators and the Daniel Field Eagles from Augusta, Georgia. Daniel Field played here last fall, bowing to the 29th Infantry Blue Devils in a thrilling game.

Last fall, the Fort Benning Conference was a six-team affair with three elevens drawn from TIS installations and three from the 10th Armored Division. The 7th Armored, however, is not expected to field any grid machines, which means that all three entrants will be Infantry School units from the school troops brigade.



THESE FOUR PUNCHERS will be in the thick of the action Friday night at Doughboy Stadium when the 176th (Spirits) and 300th Sabers collide in the squared circle. Left to right are: Roger Reeves, 300th heavyweight; Freddy Champ Aguirre, 176th bantamweight; Mickey Gill, 300th bantam contender; and Swede Vanette 176th heavyweight hope. (Signal Lab photos by Sgt. Mel Stock.)

176th Boxers Clash With 300th In Stadium Ring Friday Night

The ring battle of the year, pitting the 176th Infantry Spirits against the 300th Infantry Sabers, will take place in Doughboy Stadium tomorrow night at 8:45 p. m. with a full card of eight bouts listed in the team match. Four crack exhibition bouts are also on tap providing one of the tastiest boxing menus that post fans have had in many a moon.

The arch-rivals have had large squads of potential ring stars working out for over a month now in anticipation of tomorrow night's melee in the Doughboy ring. Roger Reeves, former Texas Christian and pro slugger, is coach of the Sabers ringmen, while Lieut. Edward Hipp, once a Davidson College puncher, is preparing the Spirit sluggers.

TWO HEADLINERS

Two bouts stand out as headliners on the attractive card. They are the bantamweight and heavyweight clashes. In the bantam go, the 300th will send its famed Raul Franco into the ring against Freddy (Champ) Aguirre of the 176th. Both are former Golden Gloves with plenty of experience and both have captured previous Army titles outside of Fort Benning.

Franco is a West Coast puncher from sunny California and last year won the bantam crown at Camp Robinson, A. K. A. S. Aguirre is a Virginia-North Carolina Golden Gloves titleholder, and also captured the 29th Division crown in his weight over a year ago at Fort Meade, Maryland.

HEAVIES BATTLE

The heavyweight bout may be the most exciting of the evening with Reeves, the 300th tutor, stepping into the ring against Swede Vanette of the Spirits. Reeves, from Syracuse, N. Y., was heavyweight champ at T. C. U. and also has done pro boxing in upstate New York. Vanette hails from South Bend, Ind., and is the former state AAU champ in the Hoosier circuit.

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STRONG CARD

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"Sabers" Adopted as Nickname For Athletic Teams of 300th Infantry

Sports writers on post papers need grind their teeth no longer when writing of 300th Infantry sports because the teams of the regiment have at long last a short, easily written name, the "Sabers." 300th Infantry teams have been the bane of sports writers' existence because up to now it has been impossible to describe them without using up practically every letter in the alphabet with names like the Three Hundredth, or the Three Zeros, or Troop M.

The name was chosen from a list of twenty or more as the most appropriate and original for the 300th Infantry, a recently activated regiment.

lmer, followed by the featherweight bout with Joe Garcia fighting for the Sabers against Godfrey Ely. Ely is a former Virginia Golden Gloves champ.

The lightweight affair pairs Dan Davis of the 300th against Vernon Thompson of the 176th. Ray Smith is the Sabers' entry in the welterweight class while Lloyd Miller will come in from the Spirit corner. Rudy Garcia is the 300th middleweight and is slated to match bouts with Hugh Miller of the Spirits. Miller was once runner-up in the Junior National A.A.U. tournament and is a former state A.A.U. champion.

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At first glance, "Sabers" may appear incongruous when applied to an Infantry outfit. However a knowledge of the history of the name will help to dispel this impression. To the Army, all weapons with a long blade, hilt and handle are considered sabers. Foot soldiers used swords or sabers in many of the important battles of history.

Contrary to the popular opinion, sabers are not the exclusive property of the cavalry. The bayonets used by the Infantrymen in Gueanacan are direct descendants of the swords or sabers employed by the foot soldiers of old, the only difference is in the handle.

Ang Gilmore as the Sabers enter against Tony Franco of the 176th.

THREE-ROUNDERS All bouts will be three-rounders of two-minute-per-round duration. At least four exhibitions are planned to spice up the program with two of them slated between Sabers and Spirit punchers while each unit also has an intra-unit bout scheduled.

Third man in the ring for the 176th-300th clambake will be Johnny Wilson, veteran referee who is a former post lightweight champ himself, and also coached the Benning team at one time.

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Lucky Seventh Slates Table Tennis Tourney

A gala table tennis tournament with the Seventh Armored Division's top paddlers participating will get under way shortly according to Lt. Henry A. Wicker, Division Athletic Officer.

While plans are being made to run the tourney in four consecutive elimination nights beginning Sept. 21 at the 7th Armored Division Service Club, individual units are busy selecting and seeding their four allotted ping-pong teams, two singles and a double team. Players surviving elimination will take the floor the night of the 7th to scrap for the division paddle title.

According to arrangements made by Lt. Wicker and St. Bill Klunk, cash prizes totaling \$45 will be an added incentive to the contestants. First place singles prize \$15; second place prize \$10; the third slot winner receives \$5. Top doubles pair will split \$80 for first place, with runners-up awarded \$4.

The Service Club promised to him during the nights the tourney is in progress, four tables set up on one floor.

Matches will be held at 7:30 p. m. best two out of three games deciding the match. Pvt. Wilmer Rhine, 31st Armored Regiment, will be the division crown he donned at Camp Polk last fall and there will be many crack exponents of the fast table game bent on lifting the crown from Rhine's head.

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Gator Gridiron Progress Slow In Early Work

Coaches Woeful As 124th Team Fails To Show Sparkle

BY CORP. ED FOGG The second week of Gator football practice found the squad with little improvement over the first week. The coaches led by Major Red Milton, each had a tale of woe to spin, as the fundamentals and ground work progressed very slowly.

The Gator headcoach looks for dark days ahead until the team settles down to real business. He cut 25 men off the squad, bringing the total to 42 candidates now on the roster.

ENDS NOT TOUGH Sam Shahan, coaching the ends having trouble getting the men to get rough and tough. He said, I could use four or five ends that were really willing to "take it up."

TACKLE TERRIFIC Six tackles with Jack McKewen at the helm, set a terrific pace in contact work. It seemed to be a matter of time before the line men, who have gotten in shape quickly. The guards, working with Bog Fitzgerald are getting through today's passes with real ease.

SOLITAS PICKED For the catching spot, we've selected T. M. Solitas of the 124th Infantry Gators. The lad has played in the finals of two national tourneys in Detroit and New York. Besides that he's tough, aggressive, a fine team player and his thundering 345 average in the Post league. Besides that he's a former teammate in football of famous "Fireball" Frankie Sincovich and the companion end for All-American George Patton while at Youngstown, Ohio.

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Writer Sticks Neck Out; Picks All-Star Softball Team and Awaits 'Boos'

Varchminn Termed "Most Valuable" Player In Post Softball Circuit

BY PFC. JOHNSTON C. WOODALL The condemned man ate a hearty breakfast. He looked at the front page of his favorite newspaper and saw that he was scheduled for a hanging.

Newspapermen were looting around. Smoke was heavy in the air. Tension was mounting every minute as the clock steadily ticked away.

The condemned man was the least nervous of the group. He stretched and stifled a yawn and then gave the following advice to his listeners, "Don't ever stick your neck out."

And to think your correspondent would stick his neck out? Get your bayonets clean, sharpen your sabers, clean your guns. I have done it!

Here is the all-star Fort Benning softball team and I'm expecting a fine chorus of "Boos!"

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BY PFC. J. C. WOODALL Two on, two out and the Profs trailing by two runs in the last half of the ninth inning. The crowd seethes with excitement as Elmer Niebler, Prof star, strolls to the plate. The tenth inning fans are making their way to the exits assuming the game is in the sack for the Eagles.

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national League) the following year gave Elmer a Florida trip taking him to Fort Pierce for spring training. The Giants then sent him to the N. C. State league where he "hit 360 until breaking a bone in my foot." Niebler was a vital spark in the drive for the pennant, playing fine ball at two positions—second base and outfield.

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Soldier Learned Art From Gene Kelly Of 'Me And My Gal' Cast

"The bells are ringing for me and my gal" has been religiously reverberating from the lips of Pvt. Paul J. King of Co. L, 124th Infantry, since Judy Garland and Gene (Harry) Kelly's latest musical moved into Fort Benning and surrounding towns. A product of the theater, Paul takes great pride in singing the praises of his former dancing and singing maestro, Gene Kelly for his portrayal of "Harry" in the picture, "For Me And My Gal."

Pvt. King, the first professional dancer to tap his way into Gatorland, started wriggling his educated toes at the age of 12, under the guidance of a local dancing teacher. The boy proved so talented that two months later, he made his first stage appearance. In the years that followed, Paul attended Jack Steffers' Dancing School and Gene Kelly's Studio, both in Johnstown, Pa., for advanced dancing and acrobatic training and also appeared on many radio programs, theaters and night clubs. Some of the more popular presentations in his repertoire were: a miniature step act, chain and table act and a roller skate dance with a twirl-a-rope twist.

Born in Windber, Pa., King acquired his scholastic training in his home town which still remembers the ill-famed Johnstown flooding of seven years ago. Paul worked for the Kroger Grocery Co., in Detroit as a clerk, after his high school days ended. Prior to his enlistment in the army on March 17, 1943, Pvt. King advanced himself to manager of one of the chain's stores. He was comparatively a newcomer to the Army as well as the Gator regiment. "Pvt. King" picked up his Army vocabulary during a 13 week basic training stretch at Camp Joseph T. Robinson in Little Rock, Ark. The Gator hooter joined the outfit in July of this year and was assigned to Co. L.

When the war is over, Paul intends to return to Johnstown, Pa., where a certain blue-eyed, blonde, whose curves are of the Christy Mathewson variety, is anxiously awaiting to hear him sing, "The preacher's waiting for me and my gal."

Veteran of 32 Years, Sgt. Cox Retires to Texas


After 32 years in the Army, M. Sgt. Charles Cox of Co. D, Academic Regiment, is heading for Texas, home and retirement. Originally retired in August, 1941, he has served two extra years because of the war. Sgt. Cox, who has held every rank in the enlisted grades since he signed up in the artillery in 1911, served overseas with the 54th C. A. during World War I. In 1926 he switched to a tank regiment, and in 1932, came to The Infantry School, where he was assigned to the automotive section.

Born in Chiesman, Tex., Cox is single, and plans to go to San Antonio, where his family lives.

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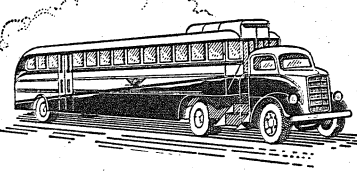
A luncheon meeting of the Columbus Delta Delta Club will be held Tuesday, Sept. 7, at 12:30 at the Cherokee Lodge. All Tri-Delta alumnae at Fort Benning are cordially invited to attend. For reservations, please call Mrs. J. C. Rowe, Jr., 3-1506, Mrs. R. C. Sharpe 2-0002, or Miss Jessie Christie 3-0611.

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Colonial Dames At Dedication Of Day-Room

Organization Presents New Furnishings To Sixth Regiment

Col. Robert Sharp, commanding officer, and his staff, hosts to members of the Columbus chapter of the Colonial Dames of America at the dedication of a Cadre Day room for the Sixth Training Regiment last week.

Part of the ASTP basic training center of the Infantry School, the Sixth regiment is located in the old CCC area in the Harmony Church section of Fort Benning. The day room, smartly appointed and handsomely furnished, was the gift of the Colonial Dames chapter, and their visit to the regimental area was in the nature of a tour of inspection for the ladies.

They were guests of the regimental commander at supper, viewed the changing of the guard for the brief, informal ceremonies of dedication. Lt. Col. M. C. Higgins, executive officer of the regiment, was chairman. Expressions of gratitude were voiced by Colonel Sharp and Sgt. Walter R. Hearn of the cadre. Mrs. Robert M. Lewis, president of the local Colonial Dames chapter, reported for the organization.

Officers of Colonel Sharp's staff in attendance were Majors Walter H. Pierce, Troy N. Hutto and Ed. D. Williams. Captains George M. Miller, Perry N. Riley, Edgar Barrett, John S. Ledgerwood and Robert Welch were also in attendance. Miss Annie Young, 2nd Lt. Sinto S. Westman of the Sixth regiment's 1st battalion who were instrumental in putting the monetary gift of the Colonial Dames into day room equipment were also present.

The ladies expressed great satisfaction with the interior decoration of the lounge. A large console radio, innumerable easy chairs, card tables, many games, an extensive magazine rack full of the best in current reading material, a ping pong table set, and a number of bridge and table lamps will provide the men of the Sixth with money happy hours of restful relaxation from the cares of their duties.

Cpl. Washburn Assumes Work Of Lt. Malone

Cpl. William Washburn, Jr., of Fort Benning's Reception Center, has been assigned to the special service office, according to an announcement by Col. U. N. James, commanding officer of the Center.

Corporal Washburn takes over the duties formerly performed by Lieut. Van T. Malone, recently commissioned in the chaplain's corps, who has left for a four weeks' course in the Chaplain's School at Harvard.

A native of Memphis, Tenn., Cpl. Washburn was educated in the public schools of Memphis and holds a B. S. degree in sociology from the LeMay College, of Memphis.

A talented musician, Cpl. Washburn worked his way through college serving as assistant instructor at LeMay and until his induction into the Army was acting director of the Pilgrims of Jordan radio group of station W. S. M. Nashville.

Employed by the State Department of Education at Nashville, Cpl. Washburn worked in the free text book division for three and one-half years. Just recently completing a course in song leadership under the direction of Prof. Arthur Hall of Yale, the corporal is a member of the Reception Center Chorus and will prepare the radio scripts for all local broadcasts as well as announcing the programs over the air in his new assignment.

Cpl. Jimmy Reese, former big league infielder, has been given a discharge from the army as overage. Cpl. Reese was stationed at Camp Campbell, Ky.

124th Infantry Expands Scope of Its Activities

For a considerable period time the Gator regiment has been eating, sleeping, living and demonstrating the soundness, technique and practicability of the famed Infantry school way, better known as the "School Solution." Until recently the regiment's paramount purpose of existence was in helping to produce the finest Infantry leaders.

As demonstrative troops it performed numerous problems and demonstrations directed and managed by the Infantry school. Working under the supervision of the world's best instructors, all specialists in their field, it has built up a reputation with our regimental motto, "Efficiency and Accomplishment."

The response and reaction from Army Brass Hats all over the far flung theaters of battle, praising highly the aggressiveness, courage, spirit and capabilities of many O. C. graduates, has been more than gratifying to the Gator men who feel that they have played no small part in the success of the Benning alumnae.

In recent months, the 124th Infantry under the command of Col. John D. Hill, regimental commander, has raised the curtain on another important stage of activities; that is, unit training, calisthenics and road work, squad tactics, combat detail and weeks upon weeks of field work.

Each battalion, besides pulling regular TIS problems, has been participating in bivouacs and maneuvers, the likes of which haven't been seen since the Carolinas. The past weekend brought several changes affecting the entire personnel within the regiment. The 1st battalion and Cannon company returned to the field, while the 2nd battalion and Anti-Tank company, vacated the 124th area for the "Teat City" of Clear Creek, thus commencing their third week of field work. The 3rd battalion, completing a two-week bivouac at Clear Creek, trekked over to Upper King's Pond and pitched pup tents.

The last two weeks' stay at King's Pond and vicinity climaxed all First battalion personnel. Working under the regimental plan which was inceptioned under the direct supervision and approval of the Infantry school technique of training, the men were tested for individual and squad tactics. Each squad was sent out into a simulated battle area and demonstrated the "School Way" of carrying out the mission to a successful conclusion. During these squad tests, the squad leader was entirely on his own.

When the missions were over, critiques were held. All squad leaders were graded and checked on the control over the unit, soundness of plan, technique of issuing orders, use of cover and concealment, speed in making decisions, aggressiveness and initiative, teamwork, use of fire and movement and insurance of security. While the mortar and machine gun units were carefully checked on speed in occupying positions, accuracy and speed of getting fire data, technique of adropting, correct target designation justifying fire, checking for safety of fire orders.

When all the figures were sub-

Colonel Reed Commands Unit In 3d Regiment

Lt. Col. John R. Reed, formerly with the Academic Department of The Infantry School, has assumed command of the First Battalion of the Third Student Training Regiment, succeeding Col. Edward P. Passaglia, who now commands the Second Student Training Regiment.

A reserve officer, Colonel Reed was commissioned upon completion of his ROTC training at Pennsylvania State College. He entered upon active duty with the rank of captain in March, 1941, coming to Fort Benning as a reserve officer in the Infantry School's Academic Department.

Later he was named secretary of the General Section of the school and after serving six months in this capacity, he took the advanced course and was assigned to the Logistics Committee. He was instructing in supply when he was transferred to this regiment. His promotion to major came Feb. 1, 1942, and he was advanced to lieutenant colonel May 29 last. No stranger to Fort Benning before entering upon active duty, Colonel Reed was here early in 1940 to take the National Guard Reserve Officers course—a three-month period of study and work in the field.

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